

### **Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 30, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Regardless of the particular material used to form the substrate body 24, the glove 20 also includes a chemical protection layer 36 that covers the outer surface of the substrate body 24 during use. Thus, for example, the chemical protection layer 36 can form an environment-exposed (i.e., external) surface 21 of the glove, or can be positioned between the substrate body 24 and an additional layer that forms the environment-exposed surface 21. The chemical protection layer 36 contains a modified silicone elastomer that is crosslinked to impart chemical resistance to the glove 20. As used herein, the term "modified silicone" generally refers to a broad family of synthetic polymers that have a repeating silicon-oxygen backbone with organic groups attached to the backbone (pendant and/or terminating). For instance, some suitable silicones that can be used in the present invention include, but are not limited to, phenyl-modified silicones, vinyl-modified silicones, methyl-modified silicones, fluoro-modified silicones, alkyl-modified silicones, alkoxy-modified silicones, alkylamino-modified silicones, and combinations thereof.